

Logistics Services RFP Questions Set 2

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69.	Section B.6 CLIN 0002b - 4002b pages B-3 thru B-7	Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity Unscheduled Pickups and Deliveries	Please clarify "miles". Does a mile include the labor biddable, since a full truck move of one mile is far different than a single box moved 20 miles.	Pending
70.	Section F.6.1 and Section H.12	(3rd sentence) The SP shall provide written notification of key personnel change within one calendar week after knowledge of such change.	Please clarify, as this does not match the wording in Section H.12 requiring two weeks prior to	<p>Please be advised, the paragraph referenced is the language included in the draft solicitation released on June 30, 2005. Paragraph F.6.1 in the final solicitation (dated September 30, 2005) states the following:</p> <p>"The SP shall provide written notification of key personnel change within 24 hours after knowledge of such change."</p> <p>Paragraph H.12 in the final solicitation states:</p> <p>"If any changes in proposed key personnel should occur during actual performance, notwithstanding the provision contained at Section G.1.3 prior to diverting any of the specified individuals to other programs or when a specified individual is terminating his employment, the SP shall notify the CO in writing within 24 hours."</p> <p>The requirements are consistent and no further clarification is necessary.</p>

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71.		RFP Section: L.10 / Paragraph Section 1 Staffing Plan / Page L-13: The RFP states "The SP shall provide with their proposal a letter of intent for ALL key personnel and individuals currently not employed by the SP or subcontractors."	What is the Government's intent that a Letter of Commitment be provided for all personnel currently not employed by the contractor? If a contractor plans on hiring a majority of the required staff from the incumbent IRS workforce (as part of the ROFR requirements) it would mean obtaining Letters of Intent from the current workforce. This would mean the inclusion of possibly as many as 100+ letters of intent. Will the government consider removing this requirement from the RFP? If not, see question below. Please clarify this requirement.	The RFP will be amended to eliminate the requirement for a letter of intent from all individuals currently not employed by the SP or subcontractors. A letter of intent will still be required for the key employees identified in solicitation Section H, provision H-12.
72.		RFP Section: L.10 / Paragraph Section 1 Staffing Plan / Page L-13:	Is the contractor precluded from obtaining Letters of Intent from current IRS employees? Please provide a list and contact information for all personnel included in the A-76 study.	In accordance with FAR Clause 52.207-3 (as incorporated by reference) , the list of adversely affected employees will be released within 10 days after contract award.
73.		RFP Section: L.10 / Paragraph Section 1 Staffing Plan / Page L-13:	How many of the positions identified in the A-76 Study are still occupied by career IRS employees and how were any vacancies back-filled if not by IRS career employees?	See above response
74.		RFP Section : Section B.6. Page B-3 Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite	What will the Government evaluate in terms of unit prices or volume?	IDIQ pricing will be evaluated by multiplying unit price by the maximum quantity. Unit Prices will be evaluated for price reasonableness. Technical review will be completed to assure the offeror is capable

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		Quantity. Please explain the evaluation criteria for the IDIQ CLINs given the quantities provided are presented in a wide range.		of meeting the Maximum quantities. The RFP will be amended accordingly. The evaluation methodology for CLINs 0002b, 1002b, 2002b, 3002b, and 4002b is currently being reconsidered based on questions input.
75.		Fed Biz Ops Synopsis dated September 30 2005 refers to "8 support contracts" that would be impacted by the A-76 study.	Please provide details (scope and contract number) in order to allow for a complete understanding of the total requirement and also enable discussions with current providers. Who are the existing contracts awarded to, what is their term, and how many positions included in the A-76 study are currently filled by contract employees? Also provide the expiration dates of the contract(s), any renewal provisions and the number of FTE's included in the A-76 study that are within the scope of the contract(s).	The workload in the final solicitation is inclusive of the work previously performed by the 8 support contracts referenced in the FedBizOpps announcement on September 30, 2005. Please be advised, this requirement does not include Government Furnished Services. Expiration of the referenced support contracts will occur prior to the proposed performance period. A listing of the impacted support contractors and the respective expiration date of the contract is being posted along with these responses on the IRS website. The number of FTEs within the scope of the Logistics Services requirement is 165.
76.		RFP Section L.10 Section (6), page L-12 . Section M. Factor 2 (6.)Physical Security Plan, page M-5.	The RFP states that the SP shall submit a physical security plan. "The plan shall address the integration with IRS security plans". Please provide the IRS security plans as referenced in the RFP.	Please refer to Section J, Attachment J-9, entitled "Applicable Regulations and References." The "IRS security plans" are a combination of IRS internal manuals and Treasury Directives that have been incorporated in the RFP by reference and uploaded onto FedTeds. The applicable PWS reference for the physical security requirement is C.4.5. Please refer to the third column in Attachment J-9 with specific

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				reference to paragraph C.4.5 to identify the specific "IRS security plan."
77.		RFP Section L.10 Section (7), page L-15. Section M. Factor 2 (7) Safety Program Plan, page M-5.	Section M explains that the SP Safety Plan will be evaluated for its ability to meet IRS and OSHA requirements. No reference information is provided for the IRS Safety Requirements and/or Plan. Please provide the IRS Safety Requirements/ Plan in order to understand the evaluation criteria.	Please refer to Section J, Attachment J-9, entitled "Applicable Regulations and References."
78.		RFP Section L.17 page L-25- and Attachment J-9	Please provide the location of the Technical Reference Library containing the applicable IRS policies, procedures, and plans (ie Safety and Physical Security), ERC Technical Training Manual referenced in the RFP. The FedTeds site listed in L.17 does not provide access to the required documents as described in the users guide provided on the FedTeds site. In addition IRM Part 2 is not accessible on the IRS website. Please provide more detailed instructions to the locations and access to the Technical Library.	FedTeds is the Technical Reference Library. All documents referenced in Attachment J-9 are now accessible through FedTeds.
79.		RFP Section C.1.6. page C-6- Work Order Processing -ERC -	PWS C.1.6. references an ERC Technical Training Manual. Please provide access to the ERC Technical Training Manual.	The ERC Training Manual will be provided to the Service Provider at time of training. The language in the RFP will be changed to state that the SP shall process, complete, and close work orders in accordance with the Government Furnished ERC training.
80.		RFP, Section L-11, Page L-17:	The government references a Past Performance Worksheet and a Past Performance Survey, both located at Section J-4. However, Section J-4 (or Attachment J-4) only includes the Past Performance Survey and sample letters. Please provide the Past Performance Worksheet needed	The term "worksheet" is used interchangeably with the term "survey." Prospective SPs are to complete the first half of Attachment J-4, page 1 of 6 and submit with offer/tender. Pages 2 – 4 are to be completed by referenced Point of

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			to be completed by the offeror for the 10 contracts we will reference in the Past Performance Volume III.	Contact. Attachment J-4, pages 5 and 6, are sample letters to be used by the Prospective SPs when forwarding pages 2 – 4 to their respective references.
81.		RFP Section J-6 - Section references: TE 1A -Map of IRS Offices and REFM Territories and TE 1B- Addresses of IRS Offices.	The solicitation information on the IRS web site (www.irs.gov/opportunities/procurement) states that these exhibits are available on <i>FedTeDS</i> , but there is not a hyperlink to this site. Without the hyperlink we are unable to access this information. Please provide these two technical exhibits and also a hyperlink to the solicitation information posted on FedTeDs so we can access any related information.	<p>The two technical exhibits can be located at the following link:</p> <p>https://www.fedteds.gov/fedteds/start.nsf/form.VendorLogin?OpenForm&SolicitationNumber=TIRNO-05-R-00001</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE: This page is a solicitation-specific login page intended for Vendor accounts ONLY. You will NOT be able to log in to view your data as a Vendor by using this page.</p> <p>To access the solicitation's secured documents, vendors must request explicit access.</p>
82.		RFP Section L.8.2, page L-7 "The table of contents shall be hyperlinked to the associated section in the volume."	In the comprehensive table of contents how should we hyperlink the files when the Cost Volume will ultimately be on another cd? Is it the intent to have the individual Volume Table of contents hyperlinked to the specific volume and the comprehensive table of contents not hyperlinked?	The hyperlink referenced shall be provided in the Volume's Table of Content, not the Comprehensive Table of Contents. Therefore, Volume IV shall have 5 hyperlinks (at a minimum) for each of the Parts. If multiple CDs are used for Volume IV, the hyperlinks shall be appropriate for the electronic submission.
83.		RFP Section L.5, page L-3 "a font size no smaller than what is	Does this restriction include type in graphics, charts and tables? If not, what would our minimum be?	The restriction on size of font does not include type in graphics (e.g., charts, diagrams, and matrices). Please refer to L.5(a)(2), 3 rd sentence, on page L-3 with

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		equivalent to Times New Roman Font 12"		regards to applicable restrictions on charts, diagrams, and matrices.
84.		RFP Section L.10. page L-13 and Section F.6. page F-1- Section L.10 of the RFP requires inclusion of nine plans with our initial proposal submission. These same nine plans are also required to be submitted during the phase-in period (RFP Section F.6).	Are the plans submitted with the proposal meant to be complete plans as we would submit during phase-in or can they be outlines of what the plans would contain if we were awarded the contract? Please clarify the difference between the two submissions.	Offerors and Tenders shall submit all plans in accordance with the solicitation requirement outlined in Section L.10. The Government will evaluate the proposed plans in accordance with Section M.3, Factor 2. After award, the successful awardee will be required to finalize the proposed plans within the timeline specified in the contract requirements provided in Section F and implement the approved final plans in accordance with Section C.4.11. The plans submitted in response to Section L.10 are for evaluation purposes. Subsequently, the proposed plans are to be finalized, updated and implemented pursuant to the contract requirements provided in Sections C.4.11 and F.
85.	C.1.3		Who is the current transportation service provider(s)?	The services are currently provided by a combination of IRS and private sources. Transportation workload is depicted in TE 5. TE 5 is a reflection of current customer requirements. Offerors shall base their technical and price proposal based on these requirements.
86.	K.15	52.227.15	Does identification of "restricted computer software" restrict or disqualify the SP WMS?	No. As stated in the provision at 52.227-15, the completion of the certification will assist the Government in determining the need to include Alternate II or Alternate III in the clause at 52.227 upon contract award.
87.			What assurance do private industry have that this A-76 competition will be fair and equitable?	The assurance private industry will have that this A-76 competition will be fair and

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				equitable is that this requirement will be conducted pursuant to all applicable requirements of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) in conjunction with OMB Circular A-76. Specifically, FAR 1.602-2(b), requires Contracting Officers to ensure that contractors receive impartial, fair, and equitable treatment. This solicitation is a representation of the impartial, fair and equitable treatment. Pursuant to Paragraph L.16, "[a]s soon as an Offeror is aware of any problems or ambiguities in interpreting the specifications, terms or conditions, instructions or evaluation criteria of this solicitation, the Contracting Officer ...shall be notified." To date, the Contracting Officer has not been notified that the competition is other than fair and equitable.
88.			Of all the IRS A-76 competition in the past two years, how many have been awarded to the MEO and how many have been awarded to private industry?	Although the question is not specifically; related to the Logistics Services requirement, please be advised that within the past 2 years, the IRS has awarded three Standard Competition A-76 acquisitions. Of the three awards, one award has been made to a private firm.
89.			What was the annual contract value of each of the contracts?	Pending
90.			What tasks are being performed by the current eight subcontracts?	See response to Question number 75.
91.			What is the current annual contract value for each of the contracts and the services performed?	See response to Question number 75.
92.			Of the 165 FTE's is there a breakdown of union and non-union workers?	There is no breakdown of union and non-union workers. The FTE threshold of 165 stated in this solicitation reflect the

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				workload performed by FTE positions, not the actual government personnel. Consistent with the Circular, the FTE's may reflect civilian positions that are not necessarily staffed at the time of public announcement. Also, staffing of FTE positions may fluctuate during this standard competition. Offerors are to propose to the estimated annual productive work hours not to the actual government personnel.
93.			Are the sites listed based on a geographic reference? (If you see one site, do you see them all?)	Although there are a good deal of similarities among the sites, each site is unique.
94.			What's the agenda for a typical site visit? Will the SPs only be viewing the facilities or will they have an opportunity to ask questions?	Site Visits have been completed by the time of the posting of these questions. Attendees were able to view the facilities and ask limited questions. Questions received at the site visits have been incorporated in the Q&A reports.
95.			Base period in RFP (B-3) is outlined as 6 months. Pamela Lee spoke this morning to 9 months. Which is it?	The base period will begin at the end of the phase-in period and continue for one year. Please prepare your proposal using the anticipated award date of September 15, 2006.
96.	Fresno Campus		Who are the 7 contractors? What service do they perform?	See response to Question number 75.
97.	Ogden Campus		Please make full disclosure of each of the eight	See response to Question number 75.

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			(8) support contracts for related logistics services.	
98.	Ogden Campus		How many of the 165 full time equivalent government personnel positions are positioned at each of the ten campus locations, and each of the three computing centers?	OMB Circular No. A-76 Section B-3. Public Announcements require the IRS to provide the number of Government personnel performing the activity as part of the FedBizOpps synopsis. Section I, I.5 clause FAR 52.222-42 Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (MAY 1989) and the Section J, Attachment J-1 provide additional information. No further information on current IRS employees will be provided as part of the RFP.
99.	RFP Section C.4.11. Page C-14 , C.4.1.2., Page C-10 and Att. J-5 page 2 of 2. These sections reference a “Program Management Meeting Plan”, but Section L.10 page L-13 does not require this plan as part of the proposal submission.		Are we required to submit a “Program Management Meeting Plan” as part of our proposal? If so where should it be included?	The Program Management Meeting Plan is referenced in Section F.6.2.1. The meeting is a contract requirement and must be priced. However, a plan will not be required to be submitted as part of your proposal.
100.			At what site is the Program Manager required to be located? Which site is considered to main site for contract administration purposes?	There is no required location for the Program Manager. The Administrative Contracting Office will be located in Oxon Hill, Maryland.

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101.			Does attachment J-2 need to be submitted by SDB's bidding as prime?	Yes, Attachment J-2 should be submitted by every vendor submitting a proposal as a prime including SDBs.
102.			Does attachment J-3 need to be submitted by SDB's bidding as prime?	No, Attachment J-3 should only submitted by large business vendors submitting a proposal as a prime contractor. Small business concerns, including SDBs, are exempt from subcontracting plan requirements.
103.			Could we get a more defined explanation for the SDB evaluation credit for SDB primes (section L. pg. L1.)? What does the 30% credit entail?	The 30% credit could not be located . The question may refer to L.4, FAR 52.219-24, Small Disadvantage Business Participation – Targets. Attachment J-2, which is to be submitted by all offerors submitting a proposal as a prime contractor, will be evaluated as stated in M.7. There is no reference in that provision to a 30% credit.
104.			Are Part 3, 4, and 5 Small and Disadvantaged Business Participation Plan required from SDB primes submitting a proposal (page L.5)?	Parts 3 and 5 are not applicable to SDBs submitting a proposal as a prime contractor. Part 4 is applicable and should be submitted by all vendors submitting a proposal as a prime contractor
105.			What is meant by certified financial statement? Certified statements are usually in-house prepared statements certified as being accurate by a company officer.	A financial statement prepared by a company officer and certified as being accurate will meet the requirement for a certified financial statement.

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106.	C.1.7.6		<p>Please provide a demonstration of the ERC system including a brief explanation of how the IRS sees the data exchange process taking place as referenced in Section C.1.7.6 page C-7.</p> <p>The description in Section C.1.7.6 states "The SP shall develop and implement a data exchange process between the ERC and the WTMS" this seems to infer an electronic data exchange vs. ERC paper/email tickets being routed.</p>	
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107.			The solicitation announcement clarifies that there are approximately 165 Full Time Equivalents considered in the study. It also states there are approximately 8 support contracts included in the study. Can the Government provide a list of these contracts and clarify the scope of work being performed presently by contractors that will be performed by the successful SP under this solicitation?	See response to Question number 75.
108.			<p>Concerning the Wage Determinations provided in Attachment J-1:</p> <p>a. Area Wage Determination 1994-2255, rev 24 only covers southern Essex County in Massachusetts, the towns of Andover and Methuen are in the western part of the county. Is this the correct Wage Determination for the Andover Campus?</p>	<p>a. The RFP will be amended to include Wage Determination 94-2257, MA, Lawrence Rev 21, dated 05/23/2005 for Massachusetts: Essex Counties, excluding these cities and towns: Lynn, Lynnfield, Nahant, and Saugus. This WD will cover Andover MA . The Wage Determination link is</p>

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			<p>b. Area Wage Determination 1994-2375, rev 25 does not cover western Suffolk County, the city of Holtsville, where the Brookhaven Campus is located, is in the western part of the county. Is this the correct Wage Determination for the Andover Campus?</p> <p>c. None of the Area Wage Determinations seem to be applicable for the Covington Campus.</p> <p>d. None of the Area Wage Determinations seem to be applicable for the Martinsburg, WV location.</p>	<p>http://www.wdol.gov/wdol/scafiles/std/94-2257.txt</p> <p>b. The RFP will be amended to include Wage Determination WD 94-2373,(NY, Nassau, Rev 21, Dated 05/23/2005. This WD is applicable for the cities in Suffolk County, NY. Holtsville, NY is within Suffolk County. The Wage Determination link is http://www.wdol.gov/wdol/scafiles/std/94-2373.txt</p> <p>c. The RFP will be amended to include Wage Determination WD 94-2414, Rev 23, Dated 05/23/2005. This WD covers Kentucky Counties of Boone, Bracken, Campbell, Carroll, Gallatin, Grant, Kenton, Mason, Pendleton. The Wage Determination link is http://www.wdol.gov/wdol/scafiles/std/94-2414.txt</p> <p>d. As the effort involves services which cover the 48 contiguous states, the IRS can not supply wage determinations for every possible location a service provide may elect to station an employee. As a result the RFP will be amended add FAR 52.222-49 – Service Contract Act – Place of Performance Unknown (May 1989). The Service Provider must price their proposal</p>

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			<p>e. There are twenty wage determinations provided, but is not clear by the workload data, or the provided facilities that staffing is required in the areas covered by Wage Determinations: 1994-2051 rev 27, 1994-2087 rev 29, 1994-2167 rev 29, 1994-2233 rev 25, 1994-2193 rev 30, 1994-2145 rev 28, 1994-2497 rev 25, and 1994-2545 rev 26. Please clarify.</p> <p>f. There is an Area Wage Determination provided for Buffalo, NY (1994-2371 rev 26) and some of the list of Government Furnished Equipment (GFE) for Andover indicates it is located in Buffalo. None of the workload indicates work that would be solely performed in Buffalo. Please provide workload statistics for the type of work accomplished at the Buffalo location.</p>	<p>using the current wage determinations which would be applicable.</p> <p>e. The Wage Determination are provided to assist the offeror to develop their proposal. An offeror would use only the Wage Determinations applicable to their proposed solution.</p> <p>Workload for the site is included in Attachment J-6, TE 8 under New York.</p>
109.			<p>Technical Exhibit 8 indicates a significant workload in the state of Colorado for furniture repair, locksmith activities, box moves, and property moves, when compared to other states. However there is no GFE, or Government Furnished Facility (GFF), indicated nor is there a Wage Determination provided.</p>	<p>An amendment will be issued regarding the Colorado workload in TE 8. All GFE available for SP use is included in Attachment J-6, TE 11. All available GFF is included in Attachment J-6, TE 12.</p> <p>As the effort involves services which cover the 48 contiguous states, the IRS can not supply wage determinations for every possible location a service provide may elect to station an employee. As a result the RFP will be amended add FAR 52.222-</p>

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